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policies or positions of any party. Your mileage may vary. So there.

Date: Wed, 09 Nov 94 18:09:23
From: kn4aq.gary@mms.raleigh.nc.us
Subject: GOOD 2M OR 2M/70CM

Ne> I'm looking for recommendations for a good 2M or 2M/70CM rig for
Ne> mobile use.

Ne> Since room to mount a radio in my car is rather limited, a rig with a
Ne> detachable front panel is desirable. Also desirable is a rig with a
Ne> good receiver, i.e., I'm looking to buy a ham rig, not a scanner that
Ne> can transmit. I live in an area saturated with high-band and paging
Ne> transmitters (the SF Bay Area) and know from experience that a rig
Ne> with a wide front end will be killed by intermod.

Ne> Also desirable is a reasonable number of memories (20 or so) and some
Ne> way to scan them and a CTCSS encoder. Fifty watts on 2M would be nice,
Ne> but not absolutely necessary.

I have both a Kenwood TM 733, and an Icom 2410. The 733 has a nicely
detachable front panel (and the radio itself is quite small), but it
is not very immune to intermod, even with the "AIP" circuit active.

The 2410 is the most intermod-immune radio I've seen, other than a Motorola commercial receiver. The 733 can hear a pager mix "S-9," and the 2410 doesn't even know it's there. It's a fairly small radio, too, but doesn't have a detachable panel. Since it's getting a bit old, I've been seeing more for sale and some fairly low prices.

Even with that good intermod performance, it has a wide-band receiver, including 800 MHz.

I haven't played with the new Icoms, so I don't know if they are also good at intermod rejection.

Good luck,

73, Gary KN4AQ, Raleigh NC
--- Blue Wave/QWK v2.12

Date: Thu, 10 Nov 1994 00:07:01 GMT
From: genewill@efn.org (Gene Williamson)
Subject: Survey: Ameritron ALS600

dd>I recently bought a new Ameritron ALS600 solid state linear. I'd
dd>like to compare notes with any other users of this linear.

Recently I worked HL9DC on 40 cw, and he was using the ALS600. His note sounded great to me--crisp and solid, kinda like the old Drake C-lines used to sound. Asked him some questions, and he said it loafs at 400w out on cw, driven with ~75 w. Then he cranked the drive up to 85w and got 450w out. Says it's a "sweet" little amp . . . although he wants to put another 3000 or 4000 QSOs on it before he gives it a definite blessing!!

Hope this helps. I'd be interested in a copy of your responses, should you put one together to post. I'm using an AL-811H with QSK-5 external T/R switch and would be glad to get rid of bandchange tune-ups!

TTFN . . . 73 Gene K7DBV

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